



# Homeless Youth & Young Adult (YYA) Stakeholder Forum



5/28/2013 | 2 – 4:00pm | 2100 Building | A monthly opportunity to hear about  
the changes planned for our homeless YYA system in King County

# Welcome & Introductions

## Welcome

- Megan Gibbard
- Homeless YYA Project Manager, King County

# Objectives

- ✎ Next steps around the launch of YYA CE
  - Community sign-in
  - Participating housing programs
  - Assessment schedule & referral process
  - Fair Housing
  - Training schedule & feedback meetings
- ✎ Review current progress around Comprehensive YYA Plan
  - Planning timeline – progress to date
  - Outcomes Framework
  - Review baseline data & landscape
  - YYA Convening

# YYA Coordinated Engagement



What's happening & next steps for YYA CE and Community Sign-in

# Community Sign-In Partners

- ✧ Auburn Youth Resources
- ✧ Catholic Community Services - UDYC
- ✧ Friends of Youth
- ✧ New Horizons Ministries
- ✧ Peace for the Streets by Kids from the Streets
- ✧ ROOTS Young Adult Shelter
- ✧ Sanctuary Arts Center
- ✧ Street Youth Ministries
- ✧ Teen Feed
- ✧ YMCA – The Center
- ✧ YouthCare – Orion Center

# Participating YYA Housing Programs

Agency Name:	Program Name :
Auburn Youth Resources	Coming Up
Auburn Youth Resources	Severson
Compass Housing Alliance	Bryant House/HomeStep
Friends of Youth	New Ground Kirkland
Friends of Youth	Rental Assistance Program
Friends of Youth	Supportive Permanent Housing
LIHI	Gossett Place
United Indians	Labateyah
Urban League of Metropolitan Seattle	Harder House
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Home At Last
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Independent Youth Housing Program

# Participating YYA Housing Programs

Agency Name:	Program Name:
YMCA of Greater Seattle	McGrath Shared Home
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Shared Home--Auburn
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Shared Home - Bellevue
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Shared Home--Central House
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Shared Home--Shoreline
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Shared Home - West Seattle
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Shelter to Housing
YMCA of Greater Seattle	Step-Up
YMCA of Greater Seattle	YAIT (Young Adults In Transition)
YouthCare	Catalyst
YouthCare	Home of Hope
YouthCare	ISIS House
YouthCare	Open Doors Project
YouthCare	Passages

# Assessment Schedule

## Schedule Overview:

- ✎ Offering Assessments at 11 geographically spread YYA agencies throughout the week
- ✎ Capacity to provide 98 assessments/week through Surge Period (July 8-August 30)

*See handout for schedule*



# Assessment Process for YYAs on Waitlists

**Please collect waiting list ROI from YYA currently on your waiting lists!**

- Scheduled Assessments with YYAs currently on waitlists will begin June 24, 2013.
- YYA CE program staff will connect with Providers and YYAs to schedule assessments
- Youth transferring from a previous waitlist to the YYA CE housing roster will be prioritized based on the date they entered your waiting list.

**ROIs can be confidentially faxed to Jerred Clouse at 206-328-5642**

# Preparing for Referral Process

- ✎ 24 programs have submitted eligibility criteria
- ✎ Follow-up questions were sent out last week; anticipate completion of housing inventory by June 7<sup>th</sup>
- ✎ Referral Team will schedule tours of programs between June 10<sup>th</sup> and July 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- ✎ Please fill all units with existing wait lists between now and July 7<sup>th</sup>.
- ✎ CCS will begin referring young adults for openings beginning July 8<sup>th</sup>.

# Mobility Policy

## Reasons for Mobility :

### 1. Geographic Change:

*Example: A young adult living in Seattle enrolls in Green River Community College in Auburn*

### 2. Change of Need:

*Example: A young adult no longer needs intensive chemical dependency support*

### 3. Conflict:

*Example: A young adult has a conflict with another resident and the placement is no longer safe*

## Process for Re-assessment:

- Complete Mobility Request through the database
- CCS Mobility Specialist will follow-up
- Complete a reassessment meeting that includes the CCS Mobility Specialist, housing provider, and young adult
- Discuss reason(s) for program change and update necessary information
- Upon approval, the YA is reactivated on the housing roster and is prioritized for the next appropriate referral
- Develop housing plan for the YA until they receive another referral. Housing provider will be asked to continue to serve the YA until another placement is secured.

## Placement Prioritization:

- YAs who move between placements will remain on the existing placement roster and will be prioritized for secondary placement upon appropriate housing resources becoming available.

# Fair Housing

- ✂ King County collected Housing Inventory
- ✂ Now being implemented by CCS for YYA CE
- ✂ CCS discusses Fair Housing Considerations
- ✂ Partnering with City of Seattle Office of Civil Rights
- ✂ King County followed up with agencies regarding Fair Housing (FH) questions

# June Trainings

## Database Trainings for YYA Housing Providers:

- Review Partnership Guidelines; including referral timelines
- Comprehensive Database Overview

Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup> 1pm – 3pm

-OR-

Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup> 10am – 12pm

# Feedback Meetings

An opportunity for service providers and partners to provide YYA CE feedback.

First Wednesday of the month (starting August 7<sup>th</sup>)

-AND-

Third Monday of the month (starting July 15<sup>th</sup>)

*Geographically Distinct Locations: TBD*

# Youth & Young Adult Coordinated Engagement Roll Out Schedule – For Partners

**April 2013**



- Individual Meetings with Partners
- Information on Waitlist Merge
- Hiring
- Housing Inventory (program eligibility criteria)

**May 2013**



- Messaging/Branding
- Pre-Assessment Plan
- Assessment Sites Announced

**June 2013**



- Feedback Meeting Schedule
- Database Training
- Community Sign-In Training

**July 2013**



- **LAUNCH**

# YYA Comprehensive Plan



Current progress & next steps



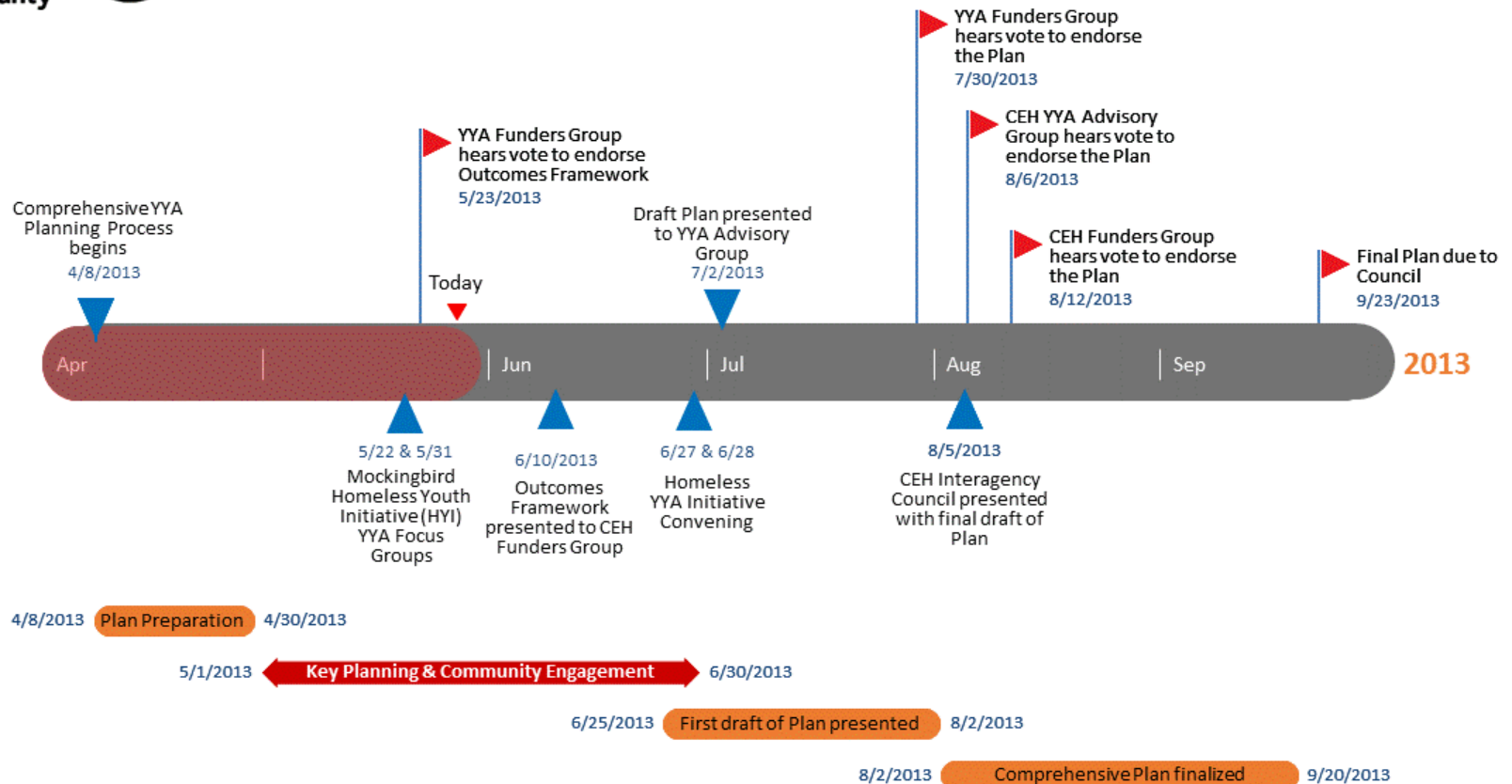
# Timeline — Progress to date



COMMITTEE TO  
END HOMELESSNESS  
KING COUNTY

## Comprehensive Plan to End YYA Homelessness in King County by 2020

Planning Process Timeline & Key Decision Points  
As of 5/28/2013



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# What's been happening...

## ∞ Landscape Scan

- Reviewed previous plans
- Information gathered from providers & funders
- Housing inventories
- Research on local resources

## ∞ Best/promising practices

- National research
- Compiling themes/trends
- Looking at what we are currently doing here

# Current YYA Housing Types & Resources

Type of housing  
homeless YYA need:

Facilities may look like:

With programs & services  
tailored to:

Resources in our community  
that meet this need:

## Emergency Shelter

Under 18 shelters  
18-25 shelters  
Congregate or Dorm-style living  
Shared Group Homes

**Low-barrier/high support**  
Program: On-site staff; basic needs;  
assessment & referrals  
Youth: Newly homeless or brief episodes of homelessness;  
in crisis or need of respite from the streets

Auburn Youth Resources – SKYS Program  
Friends Of Youth – The Landing  
YouthCare – Adolescent Emergency;  
Young Adult Shelter  
ROOTS

## Time Limited

Shared or Group Homes  
Scattered-Site Housing  
Transitional Rental Assistance or  
Rapid Rehousing in independent  
or shared apartments  
Supervised Apartments  
Host Homes

**Low-barrier/high support**  
Program: high staff ratio; 24 hour support; high level of  
program offerings and structure  
Youth: High needs; no income; CD and/or MH needs; limited  
community connections

**Medium-barrier/medium support**  
Program: some on-site staffing (24 hours); some co-located  
services  
Youth: preparing for adulthood; employ/education; learning  
basic living skills

**High-barrier/accessible support**  
Program: low staff ratio; few program offerings; limited  
program structure; weekly (or less)  
Case management support  
Youth: Low needs; preparing for adulthood; some income;  
ability to live independently; community connections; ability  
to access resources

**Low-Barrier:**  
YouthCare –Catalyst  
YMCA - YAIT  
United Indians - Labateyah  
**Medium-Barrier:**  
YMCA – Shared Homes; Indep Youth  
Housing; Shelter to Housing  
YouthCare - Passages; ISIS; Pathways  
Friends Of Youth – New Ground Programs  
Urban League – Harder House  
**High-Barrier:**  
YMCA – Step Up Program  
Comm. Psych. Clinic – Cedar House  
Friends of Youth – Rental Assistance  
YouthCare – Open Doors  
Home of Hope  
Auburn Youth Resources – Severson House  
Compass Housing Alliance - HomeStep

## Non-Time Limited

Permanent Supportive Housing  
Unsubsidized Housing  
Publicly-funded Affordable  
Housing  
Family Reconciliation

**Low-barrier/high support**  
Program: Permanent supportive housing; may have on-site  
staffing; some co-located services  
Youth: Employment/education needs; learning basic living  
skills; on-going needs (disability)

**High-barrier/accessible support**  
Program: Safety-net supports in place  
Youth: Low needs, income; ability to live independently;  
community connections; permanent connections established

**Low-Barrier:**  
Auburn Youth Resources – Coming Up Program  
YMCA – Home at Last (PSH)  
LIHI – Gosset Place (PSH)  
**High-Barrier:**  
Friends Of Youth – Supportive Permanent  
Housing (Service Enriched)

# Current Services for YYA



# Current stock

## Housing inventory by type

- ☞ **Shelter Beds – 105 total**
  - Under 18: 30 total
  - 18-25: 75 beds total
- ☞ **Time-Limited Beds – 242 total**
- ☞ **Non-Time Limited Beds – 97 total**

## Housing inventory by region

- ☞ **Seattle/North King County**
  - Shelter beds: 12 (<18); 60 (18-25)
  - Time-Limited: 116
  - Non-Time Limited: 25
- ☞ **East King County**
  - Shelter: 10 (<18); 15 (18-25)
  - Time-Limited: 9
  - Non-Time Limited: 12
- ☞ **South King County**
  - Shelter: 8 (<18)
  - Time-Limited: 7
  - Non-Time Limited: 30
- ☞ **Scattered Sites through-out King County**
  - Time-Limited: 110
  - Non-Time Limited: 30

# Outcomes Framework

## ∞ Process that created framework

- PSRHYC, USICH
- Outcomes workgroup
- YYA Advisory Group
- YYA Funders
- CEH Funders (TBD)

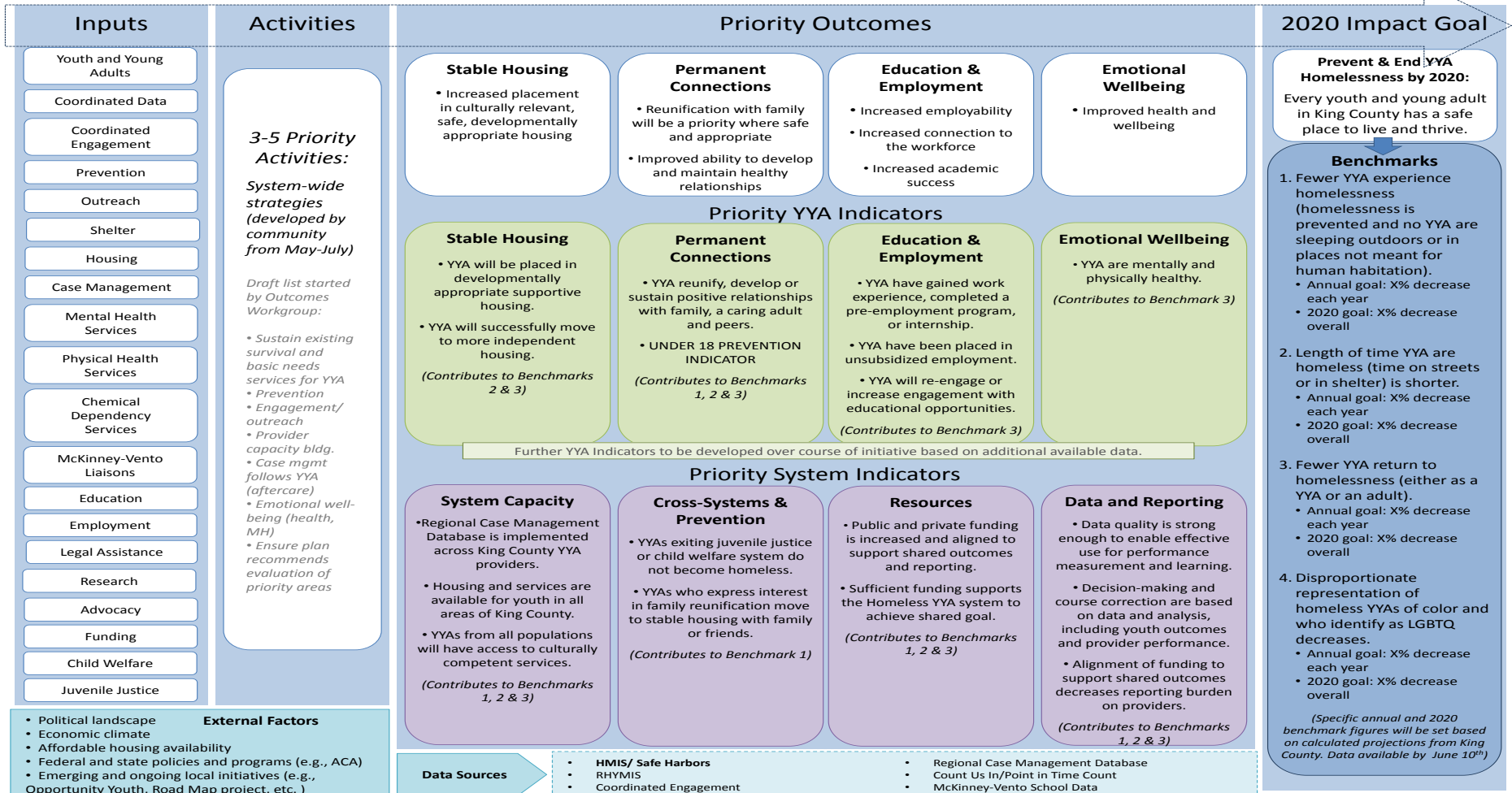
## ∞ Purpose of framework

- Tool to communicate how we intervene
- Set baseline, are we making progress
- Tool to proof investments to change

# Homeless YYA Initiative Logic Model

## Outcomes Framework for YYA

### Homeless Youth and Young Adult (YYA: 12-25 years old) Initiative Logic Model



# Youth and Young Adult Initiative Baseline Data





# YYA Initiative Benchmarks

## Benchmarks

1. Fewer YYA experience homelessness (homelessness is prevented and no YYA are sleeping outdoors or in places not meant for human habitation).
  - Annual goal: X% decrease each year
  - 2020 goal: X% decrease overall
2. Length of time YYA are homeless (time on streets or in shelter) is shorter.
  - Annual goal: X% decrease each year
  - 2020 goal: X% decrease overall
3. Fewer YYA return to homelessness (either as a YYA or an adult).
  - Annual goal: X% decrease each year
  - 2020 goal: X% decrease overall

*(Specific annual and 2020 benchmark figures will be set based on calculated projections from King County. Data available by June 10<sup>th</sup>)*

## Most recent available data

1. 2013 Count Us In data: **114** YYA were sleeping outdoors or in place not meant for habitation at the single point in time
2. HMIS data: **TBD** aggregates time YYA spend homeless across program stays – in process of receiving HUD TA on tracking episodes
3. HMIS data: **27%** of young people who exit to permanent housing from a YYA housing program return to homelessness within two years

# YYA Priority Indicators

## Stable Housing

- YYA will be placed in developmentally appropriate supportive housing
- YYA will successfully move to more independent housing.

*(Contributes to  
Benchmarks  
2 & 3)*

## Permanent Connections

- YYA reunify, develop or sustain positive relationships with family, a caring adult and peers.

*(Contributes to  
Benchmarks 1, 2 & 3)*

## Education & Employment

- YYA have gained work experience, completed a pre-employment program, or internship.
- YYA have been placed in unsubsidized employment.
- YYA will re-engage or increase engagement with educational opportunities.

*(Contributes to  
Benchmark 3)*

## Emotional Wellbeing

- YYA are mentally and physically healthy.

*(Contributes to  
Benchmark 3)*

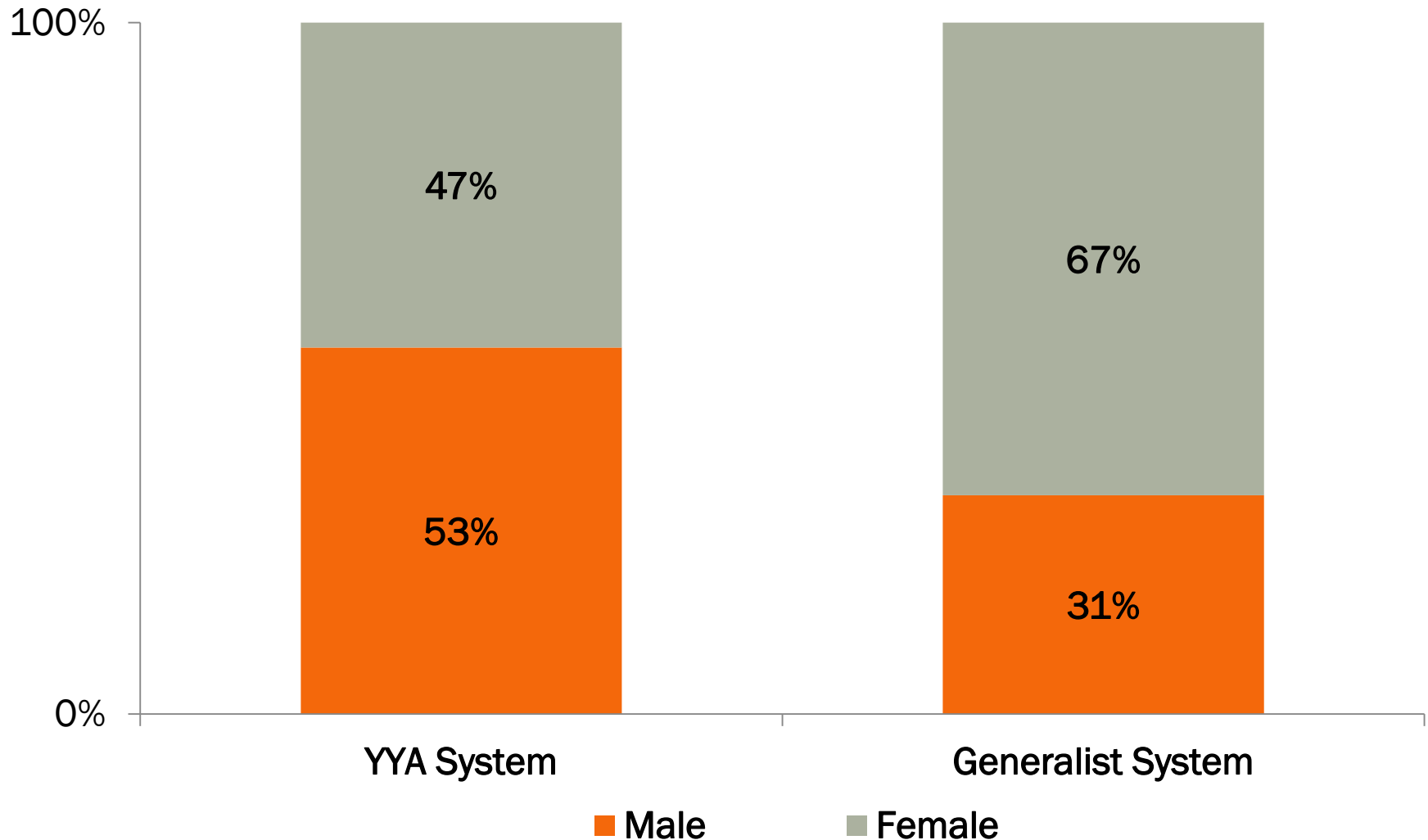
1. Stable Housing: **23%** of moves in YYA housing programs are to more independent housing
2. Permanent Connections: **9%** of YYA in YYA housing programs exit to live permanently with friends or family
3. Education & Employment: **36%** of YYA are employed or in-school when they exit; **78%** of youth exit with satisfactory job skills (PROYouth Data)
4. Emotional Well-Being: **36%** of YYA exiting YYA housing programs report that their health is very good, or excellent

60% of young  
people are in YYA  
programs

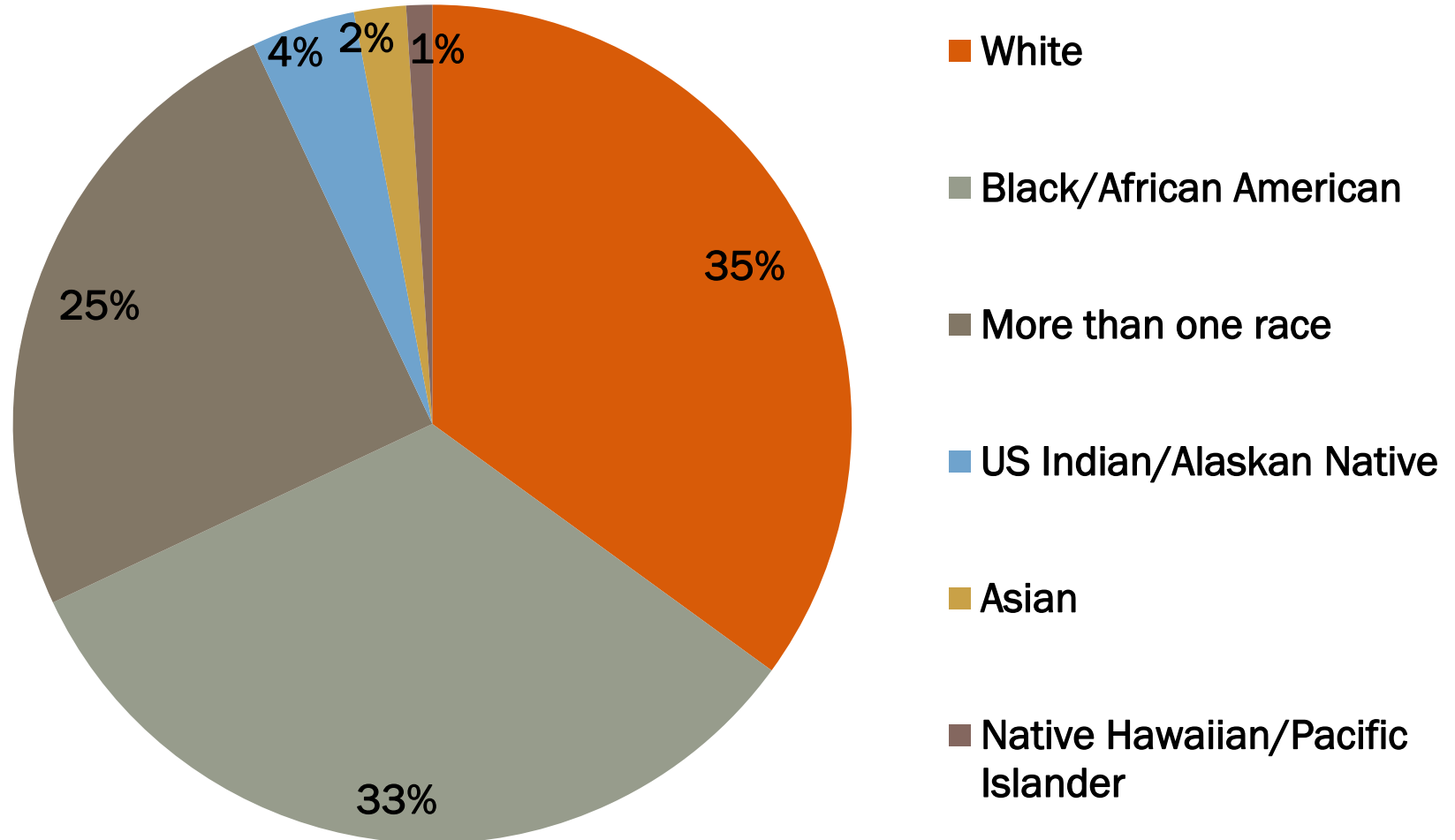
# HMIS consent rates are high

- 80% of YYA's in YYA lodging/housing programs consent
- 75% of YYA's in all programs consent

# Youth in YYA system more likely to be male

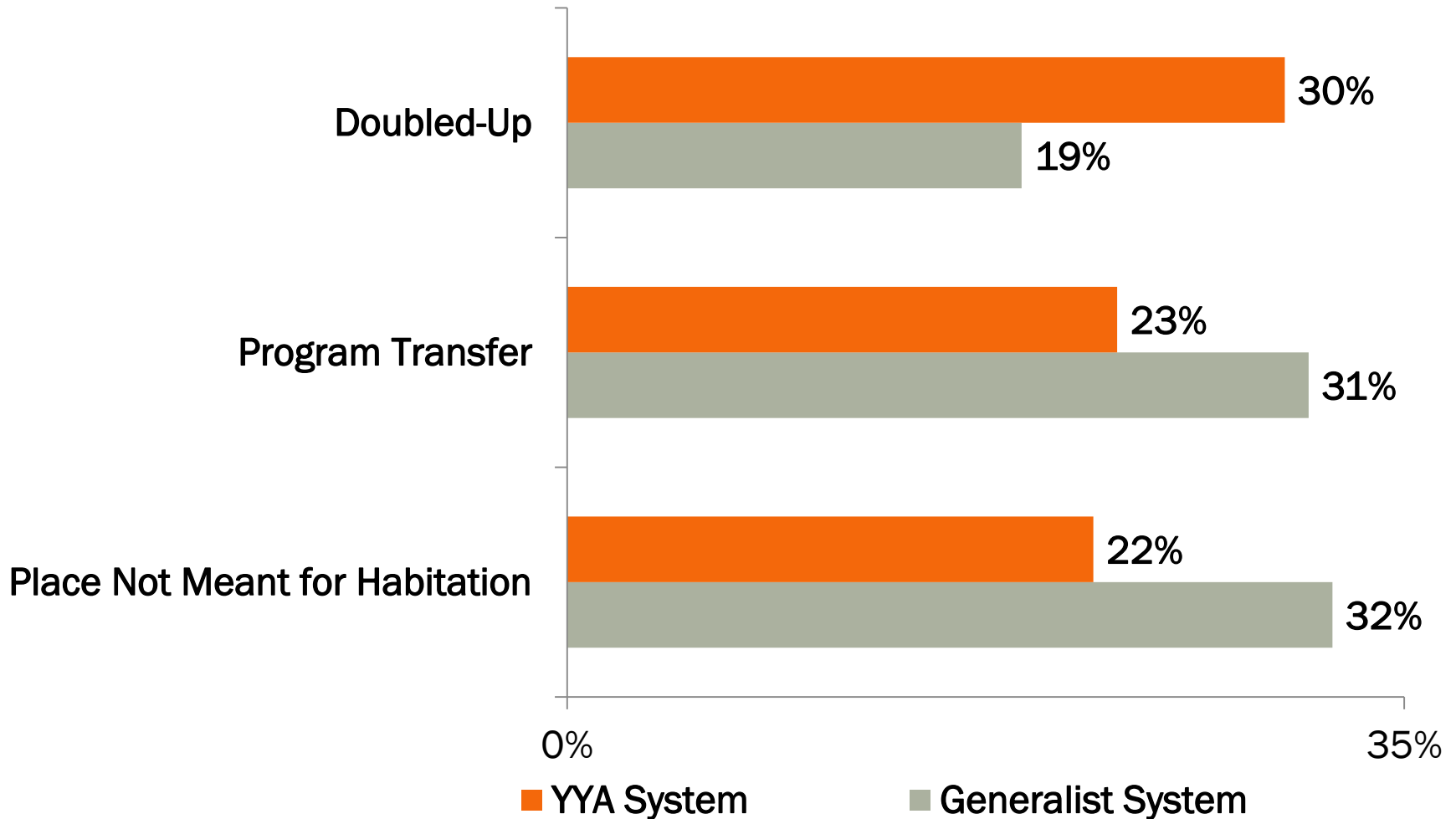


# YYA's are predominately youth of color



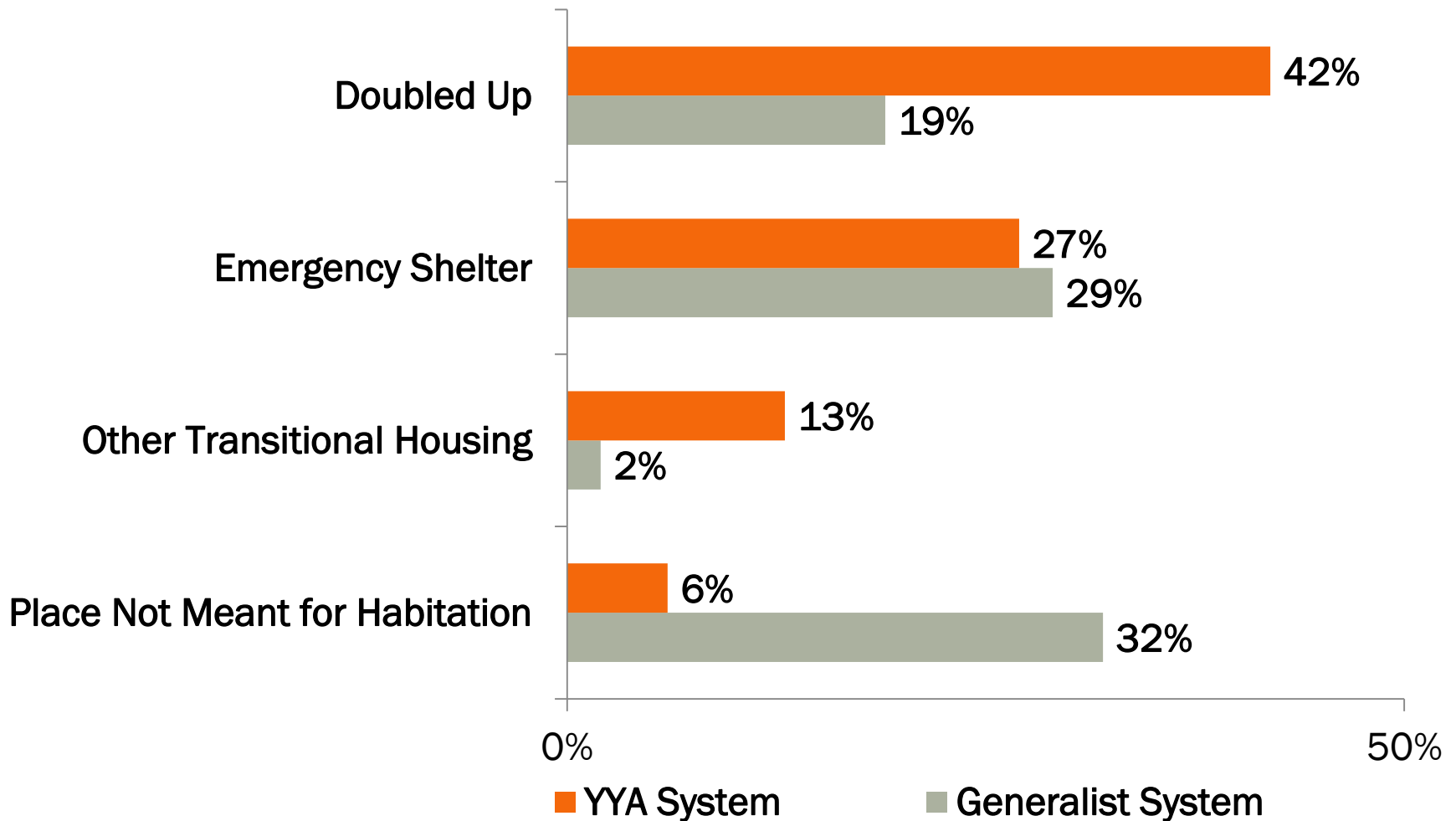
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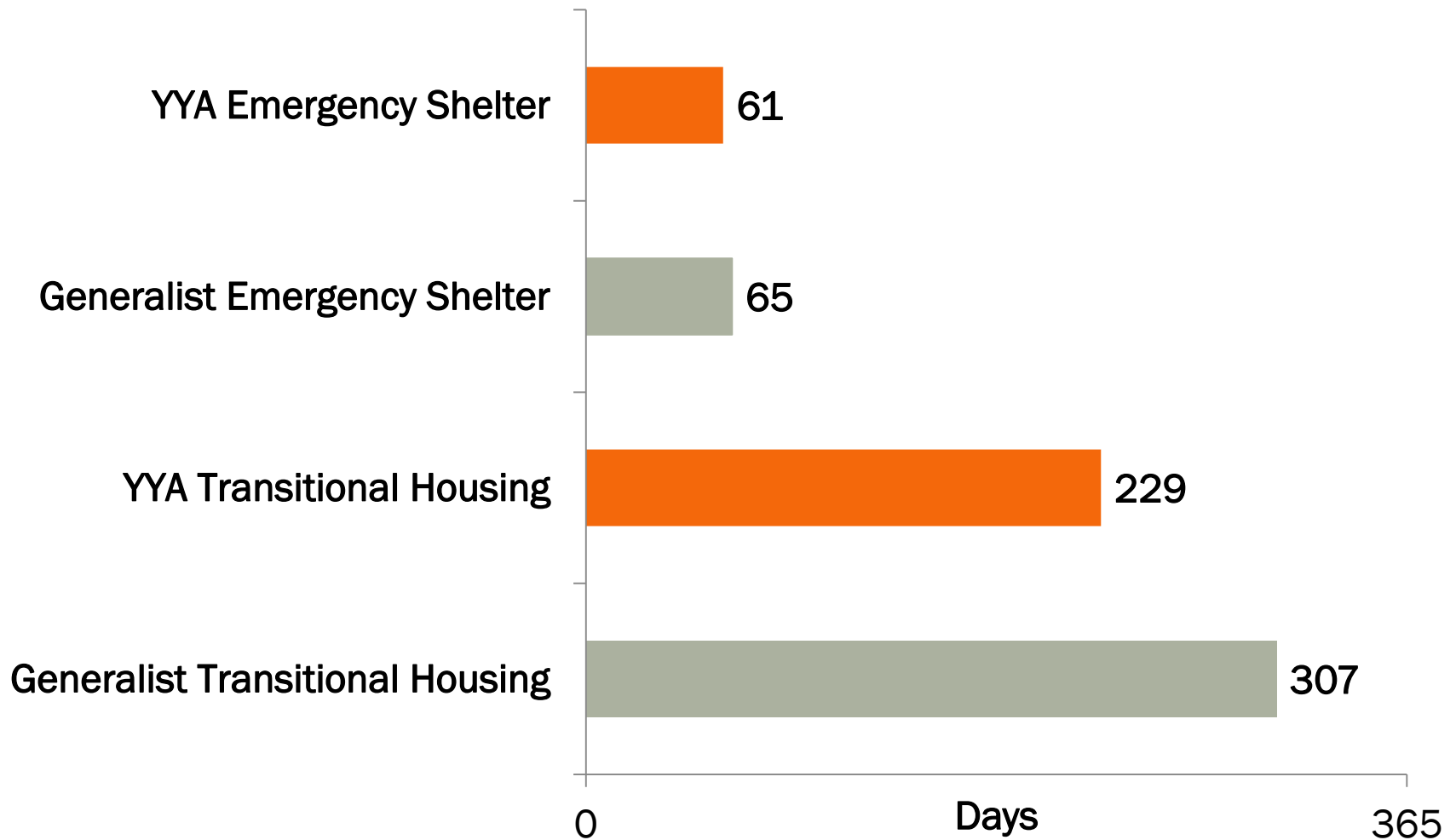
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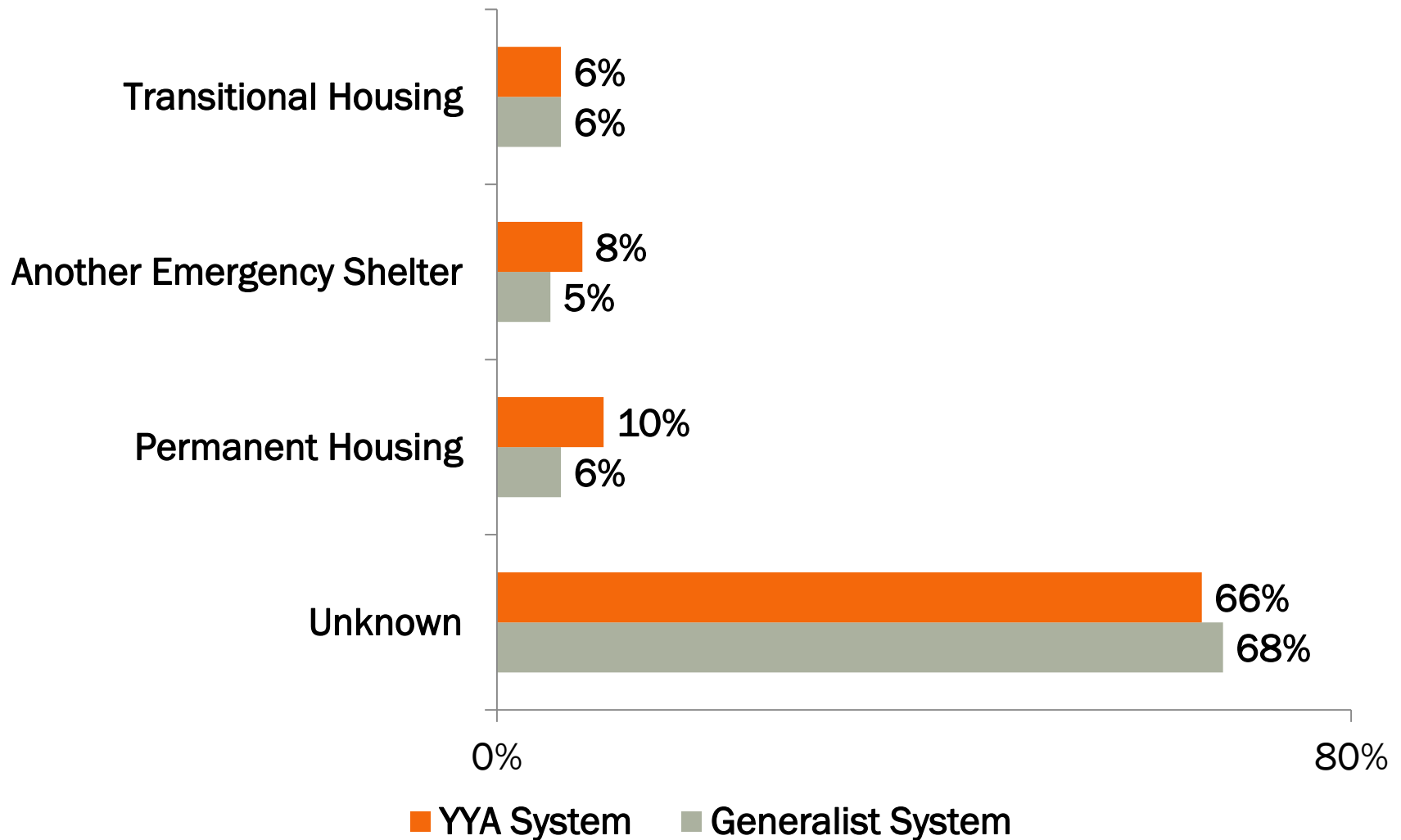


# How long do YYA's stay in programs?



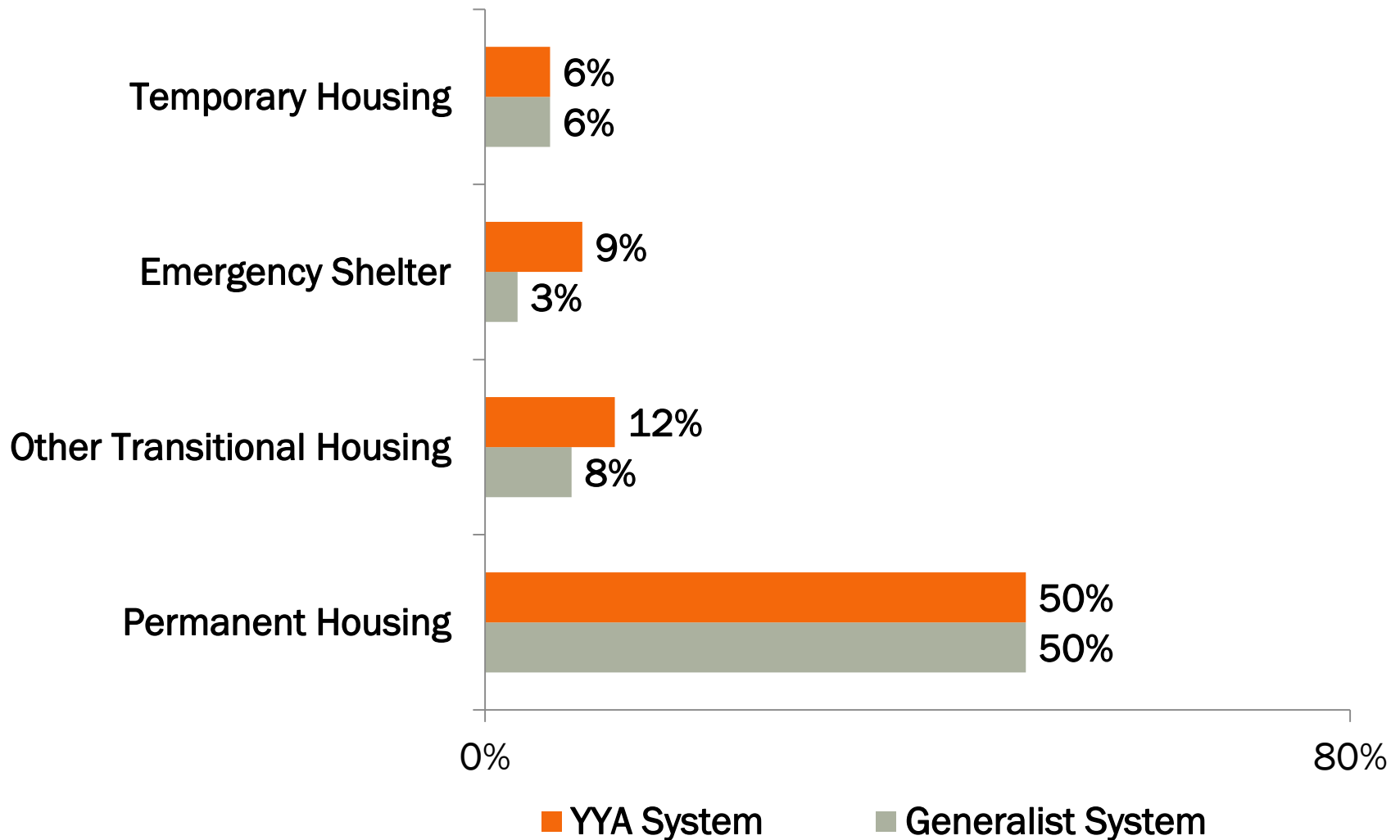
# Where do YYA's go when they leave?

## Emergency Shelter Exits



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## Transitional Housing Exits



Questions about data?

# Planning Next Steps...

## ☞ YYA Initiative Convening

- June 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>

## ☞ The purpose of the two day event:

- To hear about the comprehensive plan process and accomplishments to date
- To discuss, select and affirm the initial activities/strategies that will be recommended in the Plan
- To give input to the annual community process that will incorporate new data and support our annual targets and course corrections.

## ☞ Stakeholders invited include funders, agency leadership/providers and YYA

Save the date:

Next YYA Stakeholder Forum

June 25<sup>th</sup>, 2 – 3:30pm



Renton Library